



***Fly Friendly Zone (FFZ) E-Mail Update***

**4-23-09**

Dear Falcon Neighbors and Tenants,

A couple of updates to share with you this week:

1. **Falcon Field Ad-Hoc Task Force:** This new task force has been formed and will convene for the first time today. The task force includes three members of the community, three tenant representatives, one representative from Sabena, and City staff as resources and support. Summaries from these meetings will be posted on Falcon Field's website once they have been approved by the task force. In addition, updates like this will continue to be sent out and task force members will be working to keep interested citizens/tenants informed of their key discussions and outcomes.
2. **Falcon Field Technical Committee:** At the same time, the previous 'noise committee' has been reconstituted with a new charge, i.e. supporting airport staff to research and discuss various technical issues that arise at the airport. The Committee generally meets every quarter but has agreed to meet as needed to assist the ad hoc task force.
3. **Sabena flight rules:** Beginning April 7<sup>th</sup>, Sabena started providing the following rules directly to all students and flight instructors before each leaves for training operations: 1) Between 9 p.m.-6 a.m., do not use 22L or 22R for touch and go operations. If necessary, use Gateway or other less noise sensitive airports. 2) Between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m., approaches to 4R and 4L should be at or above PAPI lights which help guide pilots to a safe landing. 3) Observe procedures provided by safety and quality for takeoff and climb as previously directed (climb as quickly as possible without jeopardizing safety). These and other rules will be further discussed by the ad-hoc task force.

Future "FFZ e-mail updates" will continue as new information is available. If you know someone who wants to receive these updates and is not on our e-mail distribution listing, please ask them to call 480-644-NOISE or to register via on-line form at [http://www.mesaaz.gov/falcon\\_field/land\\_use.aspx](http://www.mesaaz.gov/falcon_field/land_use.aspx)

Thank you for your passion and investment in Mesa and being willing to be a part of this long-term, evolving effort. We appreciate your concern and involvement in finding solutions for Falcon that keep our community safe and our airport strong.